Dear Mr. Earnheart:

Your comments have been received and will be placed into the case file for the commission's consideration as it deliberates in this matter. For your reference, the case number in this matter is 2008-00427. Please reference this number in any future correspondence with the PSC. Thank you for your interest.

Andrew Melnykovych Director of Communications Kentucky Public Service Commission 502-564-3940 x208

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From: PSC - Public Information Officer Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2008 11:24 PM

To: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)

Subject: FW: Kentucky American Water Proposed Increase

From: Hugh Earnheart[SMTP: E-MAIL ADDRESS REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2008 11:21:55 PM

To: PSC - Public Information Officer

Subject: Kentucky American Water Proposed Increase

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Hello,

I received notification today from Kentucky American Water regarding their request for approval from you, Kentucky Public Service Commission, for a rate increase. This is to advise that I am OPPOSED to this request by Kentucky American Water.

The consumer notice does not reflect what the proposed increase is for, which is concerning. The overall percentage increase in excess of 31% is extreme and it excludes any additional taxes that consumers will be burdened with. Given the large increase, no justification provided for the increase and the current economic conditions that we are in, I am requesting that you DENY Kentucky American Water's request for increase.

I don't see why we must continue to contend with no competition within the utilities area.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

Thank you,

Hugh Earnheart

